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OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD
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REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD

SUBJECT: PSB D-44, Coordinated Information Program for the Far East

The OCB working group has considered this matter and particularly in the light of Mr. Streibert's recommendations following his trip through the area, submits the following conclusions:

1. In general, agency coordination in information programs and activities in the Far East is adequate and is functioning satisfactorily.
2. Available facilities are being utilized satisfactorily. In the case of recently created facilities planning is actively underway to increase utilization.
3. The proposed expansion of USIA programs in Thailand, Burma, and the Associated States, reductions in the Philippines and revisions in Malaya correspond with the priorities established for the general area by recent NSC decisions.
4. Continuance of psychological warfare programs in Tokyo with inter-agency coordination is essential.
5. The working group recommends to the OCB that this report be considered as fulfilling its assigned mission and, that if the report is accepted by the Board, the working group be dissolved. It further recommends that future problems of policy or coordination in respect to information programs in any given sector of this area be referred to the OCB working group having responsibility for that sector.

The annex sets forth in greater detail the group's findings in the several parts of the overall question assigned to it by the OCB.

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Attachment: Annex to Report